## - Hall Recommends 21 Local Students to Attend

**US Air Force, Merchant Marine, Military, and Naval Academies -** Goshen, NY - U.S Representative John Hall (D-NY19) announced today his twenty-one nominees for the United States Service Academy classes of 2012. If accepted by academy admissions, these young men and women will be offered the privilege of attending either the United States Air Force Academy, the United States Military Academy at West Point, the United Stated Merchant Marine Academy or the United States Naval Academy. One of Congressman Hall's nominees has already been accepted to the U.S. Air Force Academy, and four have already been accepted by the U.S. Military Academy.

"I have the fullest confidence that each of these outstanding students has the potential to excel not only as military officers, but as members of their communities and as American leaders," said Hall. "I am looking forward to watching their careers progress, and I wish them the best of luck as they continue down their path in service to our country."

In order to qualify for nomination, applicants undergo a rigorous review process. They were judged based on their scholastic aptitude via school transcripts and standardized test scores, a review of extracurricular and athletic activities, and the strength of personal and professional recommendations. Each applicant also had a formal interview with Congressman Hall's Academy Nominations Review Board, a 14-member group of men and women with a wide range of professional, military, and academic expertise.

## Congressman Hall's nominees are:

Colin Anderson, Cornwall on Hudson
Daniel Argast, Mount Kisco
Jesse Bicknell, Westtown – *Accepted by the U.S. Air Force Academy*John Boston, Wappingers Falls
Jonathan Broderick, Pawling
Kevin Connolly, Warwick
Anthony Del Vecchio, Katonah
Vincent Esposito, Yorktown Heights
Oscar Garzon Jr., Brewster
Austin Hill, Mahopac
Kevin Lees, Goshen
Christopher Malia, Cortlandt Manor
Jason McCarty, Monroe
Terrence Moore, Goshen
Tara Mulligan, Monroe

Matthew Pergamo, Cold Spring - Accepted by the U.S. Military Academy

Jeff-Antoine Pierre-Louis, Garnerville

Daniel Prial, Warwick - Accepted by the U.S. Military Academy at West Point

Laura Ruiz, Goshen - Accepted by the U.S. Military Academy

Schuyler Van Buren, Chelsea

Grant Ward, Brewster - *Accepted by the U.S. Military Academy at West Point* Any student interested in applying for a nomination from Congressman Hall for the classes of 2013 must file

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an application with the academy of interest by at least his or her junior year of high school.

After doing so, candidates may request a nomination packet from Congressman Hall's Goshen office at:

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Goshen, New York 10924 For more information about the service academies or the nomination process, please visit: <a href="http://www.johnhall.house.gov/se">http://www.johnhall.house.gov/se</a>

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